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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8838

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CDES, GR, (PANTAGES, GEORGE)

SUBJECT: DISPOSITION OF EFFECTS

REF: STATE 12978, ATHENS 490 AND 106

1. GEORGE PANTAGES, SSA NO 112-05-4260

2. MR CHARITOS, DECEASED'S COUSIN, WAS AGAIN REQUESTED TO RELEASE THE DECEDENT'S PERSONAL EFFECTS TO EMBASSY. HE AGAIN REFUSED TO COMPLY STATING HE HAS BEEN HANDLING MR PANTAGES' PERSONAL AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS SINCE HIS ARRIVAL IN GREECE, THAT HE ASSISTED HIM IN PURCHASING APARTMENT IN PIRAEUS, WAS PAYING HIS BILLS AND MAINTAINING HIS PERSONAL PAPERS. HE ALSO STATED HE ASSUMED FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE DECEDENT'S POSSESSIONS, WILL RELEASE ESTATE ONLY TO LEGAL HEIRS UPON PRESENTATION OF LEGAL DOCUMENTATION ESTABLISHING THEIR CLAIM, THAT HE ACTS UPON ADVICE OF HIS LAWYER AND HIS ACTIONS ARE PERMISSIBLE UNDER GREEK LAW. MR CHARITOS FURTHER SAID HE HOPED SOON TO CONTACT THE DECEASED'S CHILDREN THROUGH HIS WIFE'S BROTHER IN U.S.

3. EMBASSY CONTACTED PIRAEUS JUSTICE OF THE PEACE REGARDING THE PROTECTION OF THE DECEASED'S PERSONAL POSSESSIONS AND PROPERTY. HE STATED THAT THE PROPER PROCEDURE IS FOR MR CHARITOS OR THE EMBASSY TO INFORM HIS OFFICE IN WRITING OF THE DEATH AND OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE HEIRS IN THE U.S. AND REQUEST THAT THE
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APARTMENT BE SEALED PENDING ESTABLISHMENT OF A CLAIM TO THE ESTATE BY THE LAWFUL HEIRS OR SUCH OTHER LAWFUL DISPOSITION AS MAY BE PROVIDED BY GREEK LAW. THE PERSONAL POSSESSIONS WOULD NOT BE DELIVERED TO THE EMBASSY BUT WOULD REMAIN UNDER SEAL IN THE APARTMENT

4. CONOFF BELIEVES PROCEDURE OUTLINED IN PARA 3 ABOVE SHOULD BE

FOLLOWED, AS MR CHARITOS HAS NOT SHOWN TO THE EMBASSY OR THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE ANY LEGAL AUTHORIZATION TO ACT IN THE CAPACITY OF TEMPORARY CONSERVATOR OF THE ESTATE. CONOFF HAS NO REASON TO DOUBT CHARITOS' SINCERITY OR MOTIVES BUT BELIEVES FOR LEGAL PROTECTION OF ALL CONCERNED SEALING OF THE PREMISES IS WARRANTED. ACCORDINGLY, A LETTER IS BEING ADDRESSED TO THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE NOTIFYING HIM OF THE DEATH AND THE PRESUMED EXISTENCE OF THE HEIRS IN THE US.

5. PLEASE ADVISE EFFORTS LOCATE NOK. NOTE THAT IF CHILDREN NOT LOCATED, OTHER RELATIVES IN GREECE, INCLUDING CHARITOS, MAY CLAIM ESTATE.
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